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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON MEETING OCTOBER 20, 1976 (SALT TWO-1118)

REF SALT TWO-1117

1. AT TODAY'S MEETING SENENOV MADE STATEMENT REPEATING THEIR POSITION ON BOMBERS (DURING COURSE OF WHICH HE PROPOSED DELETING "FUTURE" IN LAST SENTENCE SOVIET DRAFT PARA 3, ARTICLE II) AND ON ICBM LAUNCHER DEFINITION. (HE MADE NO MENTION OF MIRV DEFINITION.) I MADE STATEMENT REPEATING OUR POSITION ON BOMBER VARIANTS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUGGESTION I MADE AT OUR MEETING YESTERDAY, IN OUR PRIVATE MEETING WE CONCENTRATED ON PARA 3, ARTICLE XVI, (DELIVERATE CONCEALMENT) AND ASSOCIATED AGREED STATEMENTS. ALTHOUGH HE WAS WELL PREPARED AND DISCUSSION WAS RELATIVELY STRAIGHTFORWARD, THERE WERE NO APPARENT SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN HIS POSITION, BUT I WILL TRANSMIT BRIEF ANALYSIS AFTER STUDYING INTERPRETER'S TRANSCRIPT.

2. ALTHOUGH SEMENOV MADE NO MENTION WHATEVER OF MIRV VERIFICATION EITHER IN HIS PLENARY STATEMENT OR OUR PRIVATE

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CONVERSATION, SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF SOVDEL IN BILATERALS

WITH AMERICANS FREELY DISCUSSED MIRV VERIFICATION ISSUES;
AND SEMENOV, WITHOUT INDICATING POSSIBLE SUBJECT, INDICATED
HE MAY WANT ANOTHER PRIVATE MEETING WITH ME WITHIN NEXT FEW
DAYS.

3. AT PRIVATE DINNER LAST NIGHT WITH EARLE, SHCHUKIN SAID
THAT IT WOULD BE WRONG TO INTERPRET SEMENOV'S REMARK TO ME
ON RELATION OF CRUSIE MISSILES AND MIRV VERIFICATION AS
INDICATING ANY INTENT ON PART OF SOVDEL AND SUSPEND MIRV
VERIFICATION DISCUSSIONS HERE (SEE REFTTEL).

4. NEXT MEETING SECHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 27,
AT USSR MISSION. JOHNSON

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